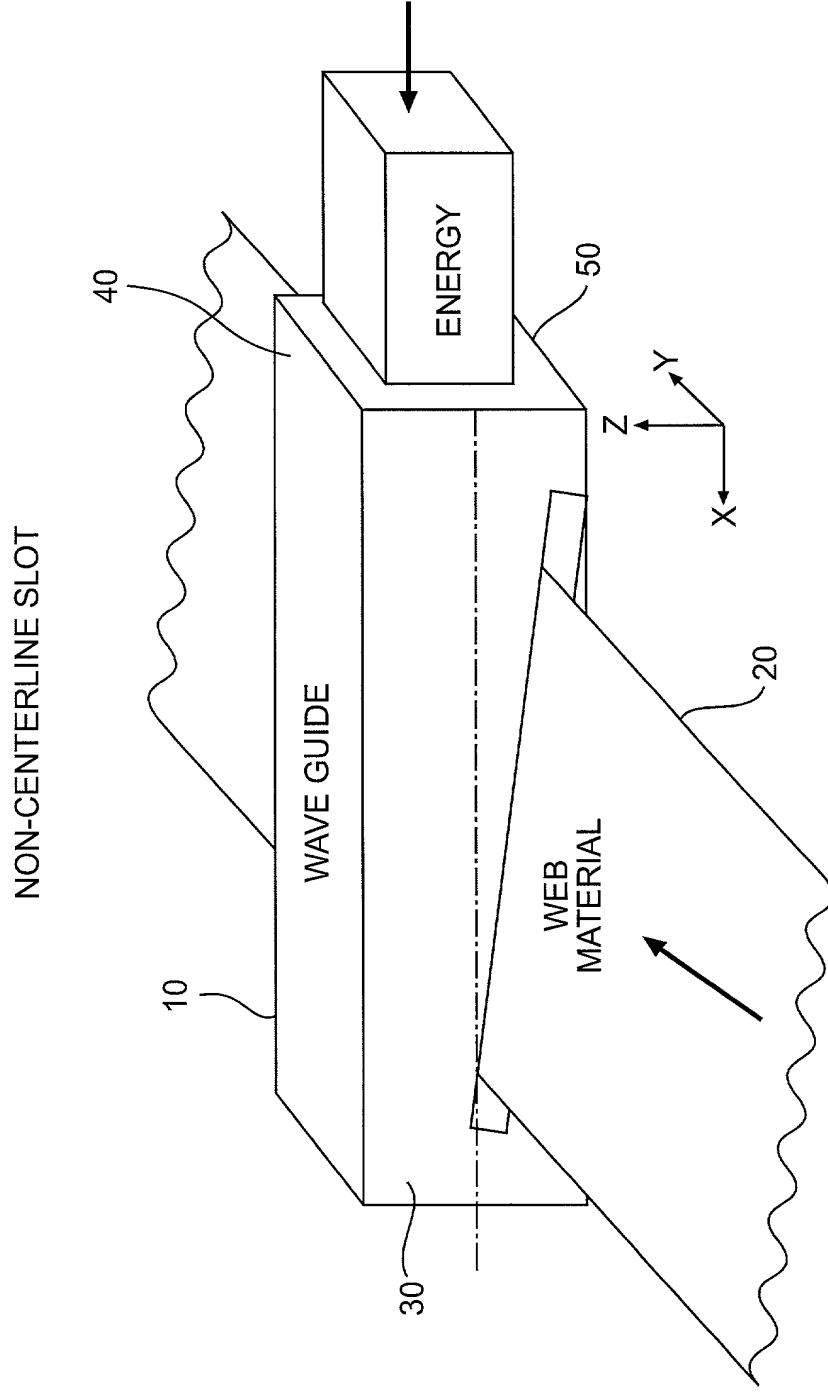
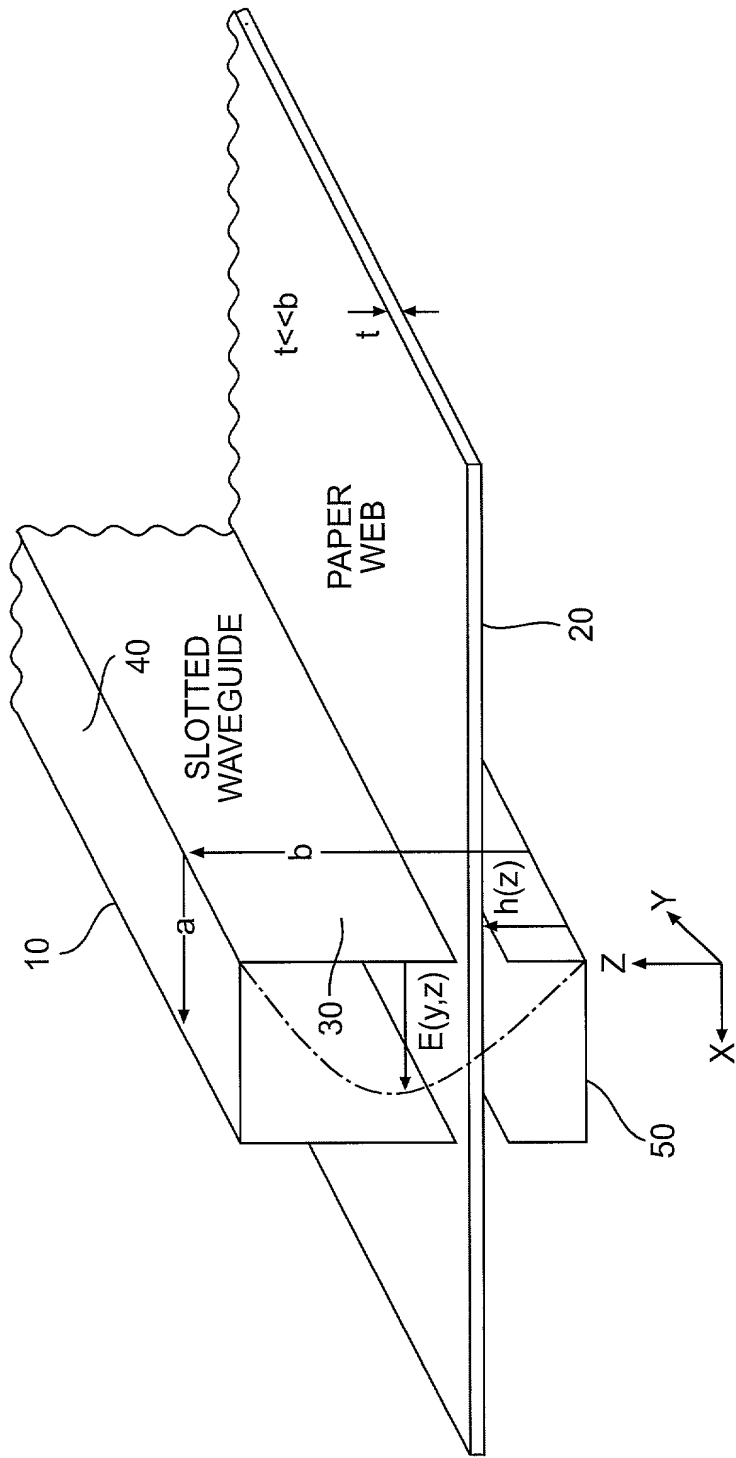


**FIG. 1**  
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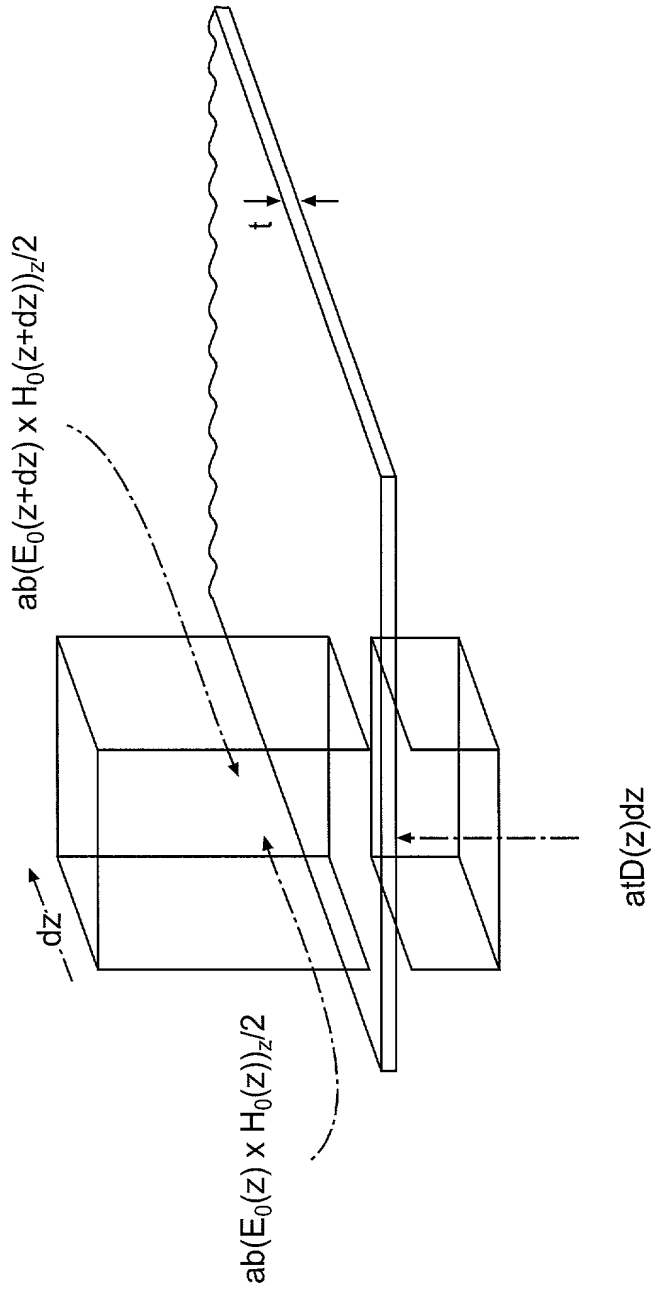


**FIG. 2**  
PRIOR ART



PARAMETERS FOR PAPER DRYING IN A WAVEGUIDE

**FIG. 3**

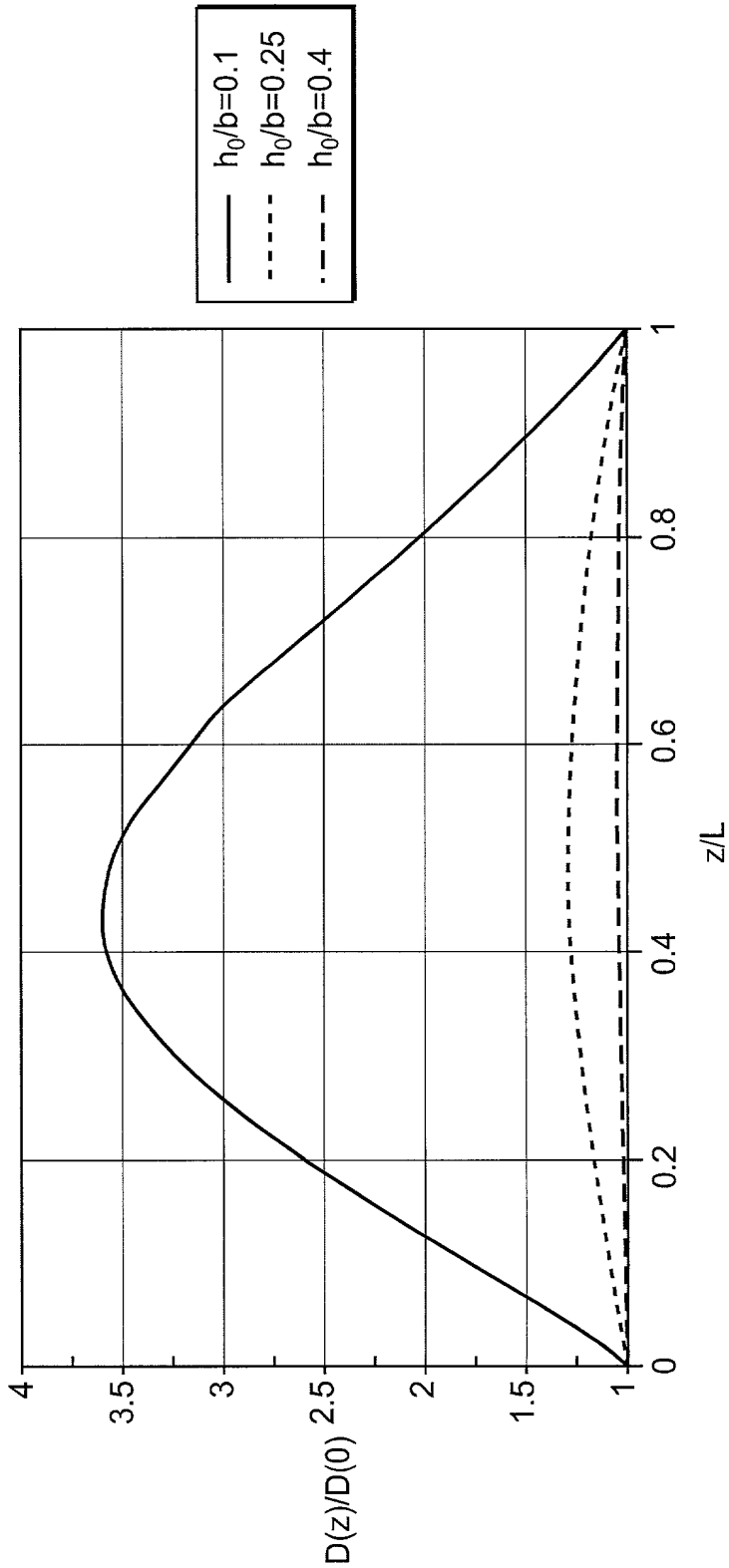


SCHEMATIC FOR ENERGY BALANCE ON AN INFINITESIMAL GUIDE SECTION

**FIG. 4**

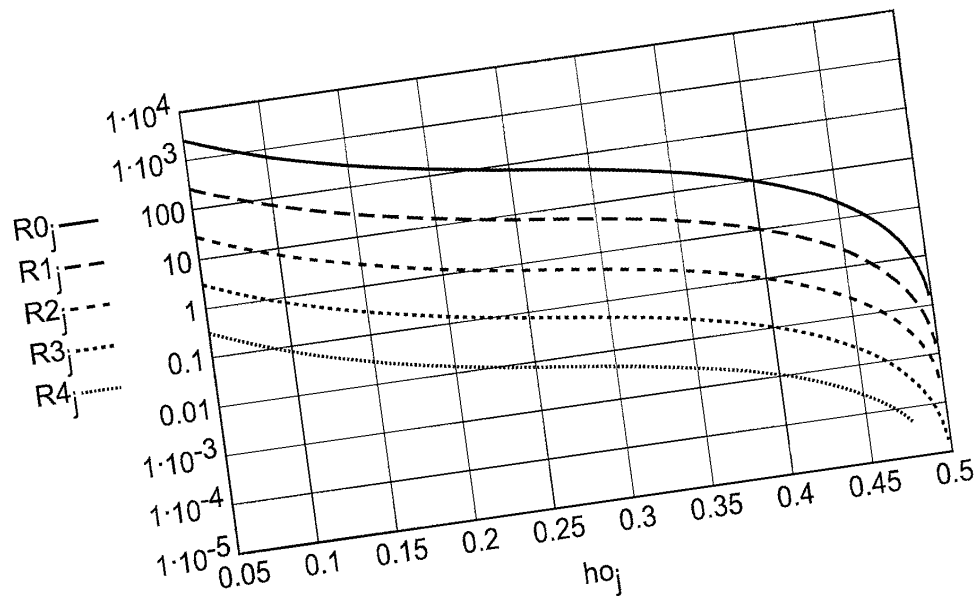
# EFFECT OF USING A LINEAR SLOT PROFILE

NORMALIZED LOCAL DISSIPATION: LINEAR SLOT  
WITH SAME DISSIPATION AT BOTH ENDS



LINEAR SLOT DISSIPATION PROFILE AS A FUNCTION OF STARTING SLOT HEIGHT

**FIG. 5**



PLOTS OF THE RANGE OF CURVED-SLOT-COMPENSATED WAVEGUIDE AS A FUNCTION OF  $h_o/b$ , THE RATIO OF THE STARTING SLOT HEIGHT TO THE GUIDE BREADTH. CURVES ARE DRAWN FOR DIFFERENT VALUES OF  $\epsilon_r t$  IN METERS. THE VALUES OF  $\epsilon_r t$  PLOTTED ARE LISTED BELOW. THE CURVES DROP TO LOWER VALUES AS  $\epsilon_r t$  INCREASES.

$b=0.072$  GUIDE BREADTH IN m  
 $f=2.45 \cdot 10^9$  FREQUENCY IN Hz  
 $\sin(\pi \cdot \min)^2=0.024$

$\epsilon_r t =$   $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \cdot 10^{-6} \\ 5 \cdot 10^{-5} \\ 5 \cdot 10^{-4} \\ 5 \cdot 10^{-3} \\ 0.05 \end{bmatrix}$

**FIG. 6**

THE SHAPE OF A SLOT CURVE FOR A GIVEN  
 $\epsilon_r t$  AND  $h_0/b$

$\epsilon_r t := 10^{-4}$  WEB IMAGINARY DIELECTRIC CONSTANT TIMES  
 THICKNESS IN METERS

$N := 1000$  NUMBER OF DATA POINTS IN A SLOT  
 CURVE PLOT

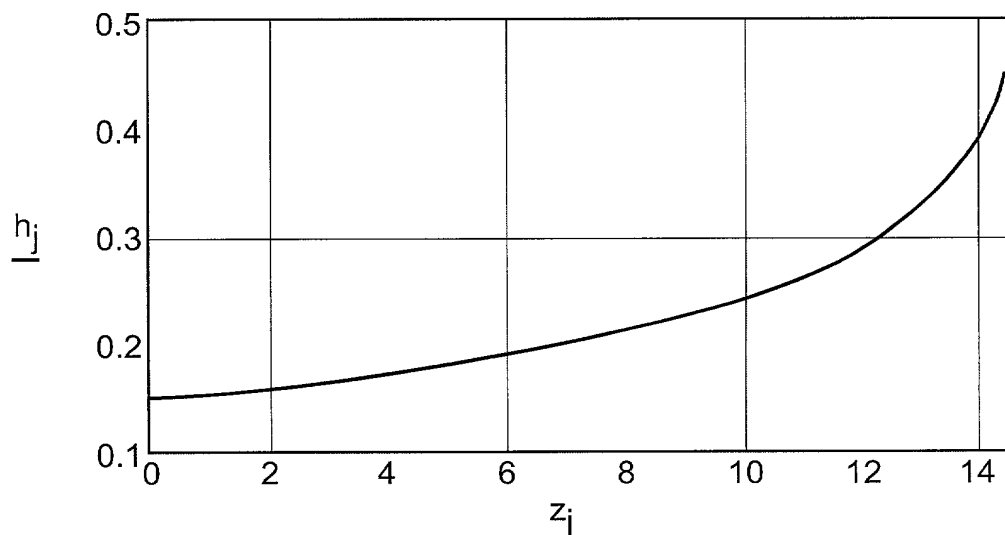
$j := 0..N-1$  ITERATION PARAMETER FOR RANGE PLOTS

$h_{min} := .15$  STARTING RATIO OF  $h/b$

$z_{max} := \frac{b \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\sin(\pi \cdot h_{min})^2} - 1 \right)}{2 \cdot \omega \cdot Z \cdot \epsilon_0 \cdot \epsilon_r t}$  MAXIMUM VALUE  
 OF COMPENSATED  $z$

$z_j := .99 \cdot z_{max} \cdot \frac{j}{N-1}$  VALUES FOR SLOT HEIGHT PLOTS

$h_j := \left( \frac{t}{\pi} \right) \cdot \text{asin} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\sin(\pi \cdot h_{min})^2} - 2 \cdot \omega \cdot Z \cdot \epsilon_0 \cdot \frac{\epsilon_r t}{b} \cdot z_j \right)^{\frac{-1}{2}} \right]$  SLOT  
 HEIGHT VALUES  
 NORMALIZED TO  $b$   
 AS A FUNCTION OF  $z$



HEIGHT OF THE SLOT DIVIDED BY THE GUIDE  
 BREADTH AS A FUNCTION OF GUIDE LENGTH IN METERS

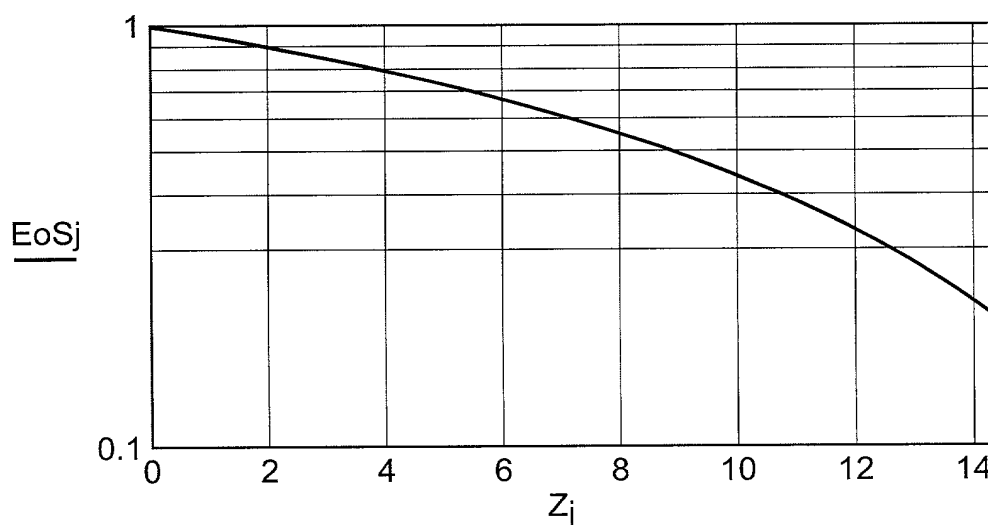
$z_{max} = 14.443$  RANGE OF COMPENSATION  
 IN METERS

**FIG. 7**

RATIO OF THE E FIELD INTENSITY AT THE  
GUIDE CENTER TO ITS INITIAL VALUE AS A FUNCTION OF  
z FOR THE SAME PARAMETERS AS IN THE SLOT SHAPE CURVE.

$$EoS_j = \left( 1 - 2 \cdot \omega \cdot Z \cdot \epsilon_0 \cdot \frac{\epsilon_{rt}}{b} \cdot z_j \cdot \sin(\pi \cdot h_{min})^2 \right)$$

THE RATIO OF  $E_0$  SQUARED  
TO  $E_{00}$  TO SQUARED AS A  
FUNCTION OF Z.



PLOT OF THE RELATIVE CENTER GUIDE FIELD  
INTENSITY VERSUS GUIDE LENGTH FOR AN IMS OPTIMUM  
COMPENSATED SLOTTED WAVEGUIDE. THE z AXIS IS IN  
METERS AND THE y AXIS IS INTENSITY RATIOED TO ITS  
VALUE AT z=0.

$\epsilon_{rt} = 1 \cdot 10^{-4}$  WEB IMAGINARY DIELECTRIC  
CONSTANT TIMES THICKNESS (m)  
 $h_{min} = 0.15$  INITIAL h/b  
 $z_{max} = 14.443$  RANGE OF COMPENSATION IN METERS

**FIG. 8**



M:=4 NUMBER OF WEB RUNS  
R=1.5 MAXIMUM RATIO OF  $\varepsilon_{rt}$  OPERATION TO  $\varepsilon_{rt}$  DESIGNED  
m=0..M-1 ITERATION PARAMETER

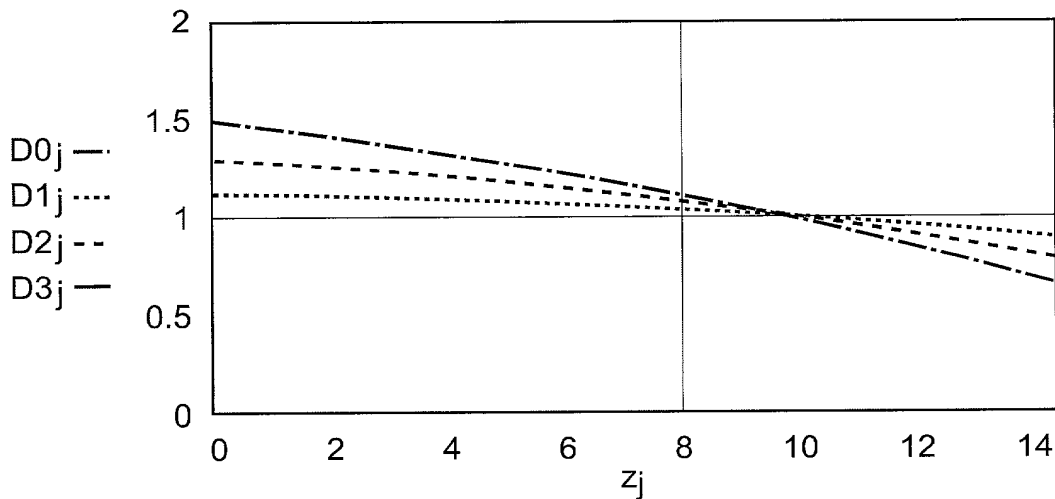
$r_m := R^{\frac{m}{M-1}}$  THE VALUES OF THE RATIO OF THE  
ACTUAL  $\varepsilon_{rt}$ . TO THE DESIGNED  $\varepsilon_{rt}$ .

$$D0_j := r_0 \cdot \left( 1 - 2 \cdot \omega \cdot Z \cdot \varepsilon_0 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_{rt}}{b} \cdot z_j \cdot \sin(\pi \cdot \text{homin}) \right)^{r_0 - 1}$$

$$D1_j := r_1 \cdot \left( 1 - 2 \cdot \omega \cdot Z \cdot \varepsilon_0 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_{rt}}{b} \cdot z_j \cdot \sin(\pi \cdot \text{homin}) \right)^{r_1 - 1}$$

$$D2_j := r_2 \cdot \left( 1 - 2 \cdot \omega \cdot Z \cdot \varepsilon_0 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_{rt}}{b} \cdot z_j \cdot \sin(\pi \cdot \text{homin}) \right)^{r_2 - 1}$$

$$D3_j := r_3 \cdot \left( 1 - 2 \cdot \omega \cdot Z \cdot \varepsilon_0 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_{rt}}{b} \cdot z_j \cdot \sin(\pi \cdot \text{homin}) \right)^{r_3 - 1}$$



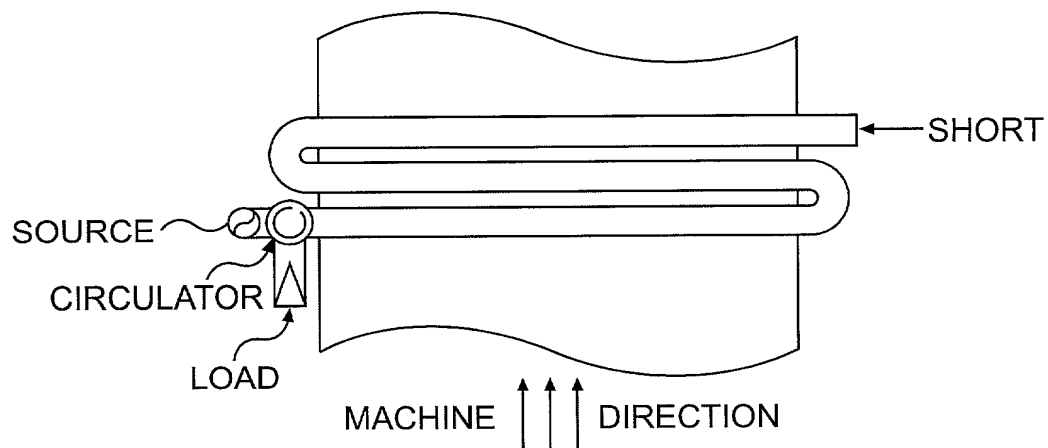
PLOTS OF THE WEB HEAT DISSIPATION RELATIVE TO THE HEAT DISSIPATION AT  $z=0$  IN THE DESIGNED WAVEGUIDE AS A FUNCTION OF WAVEGUIDE LENGTH IN METERS. DIFFERENT CURVES HAVE DIFFERENT RATIOS OF  $\varepsilon_{rt}$  OPERATING TO  $\varepsilon_{rt}$  DESIGNED. THE ACTUAL RATIOS ARE LISTED BELOW AS  $r$ .

$\varepsilon_{rt}=1 \cdot 10^{-4}$  DESIGNED WEB IMAGINARY DIELECTRIC  
CONSTANT TIMES THICKNESS (m)  
 $z_{\max}=14.443$  RANGE OF COMPENSATION IN METERS  
 $\text{homin}=0.15$  INITIAL  $h/b$

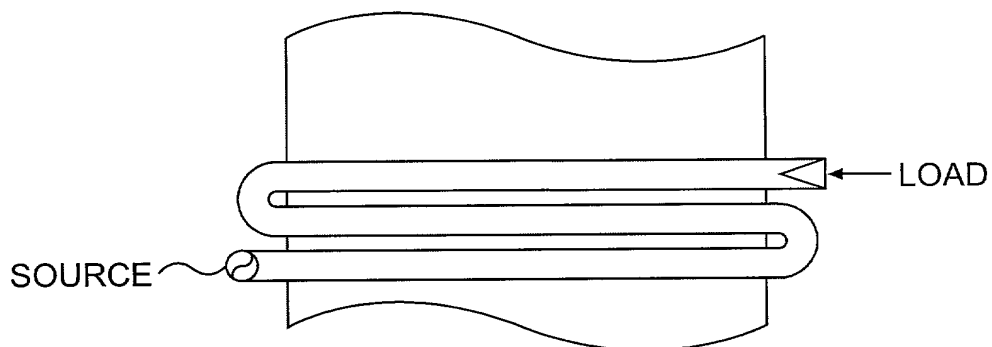
$$r = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1.145 \\ 1.31 \\ 1.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

**FIG. 9**

TWO SERPENTINE MICROWAVE APPLICATOR CONFIGURATIONS:  
(a) SHORT AT TERMINATION END; (b) DUMMY LOAD AT  
TERMINATION END.

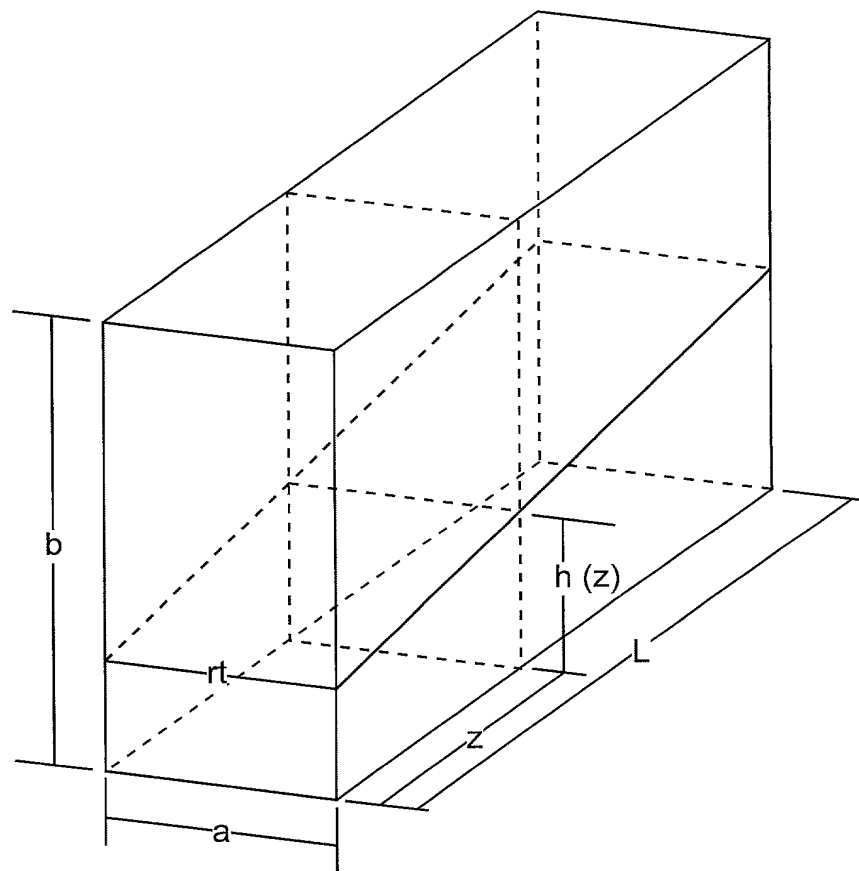


**FIG. 10(a)**

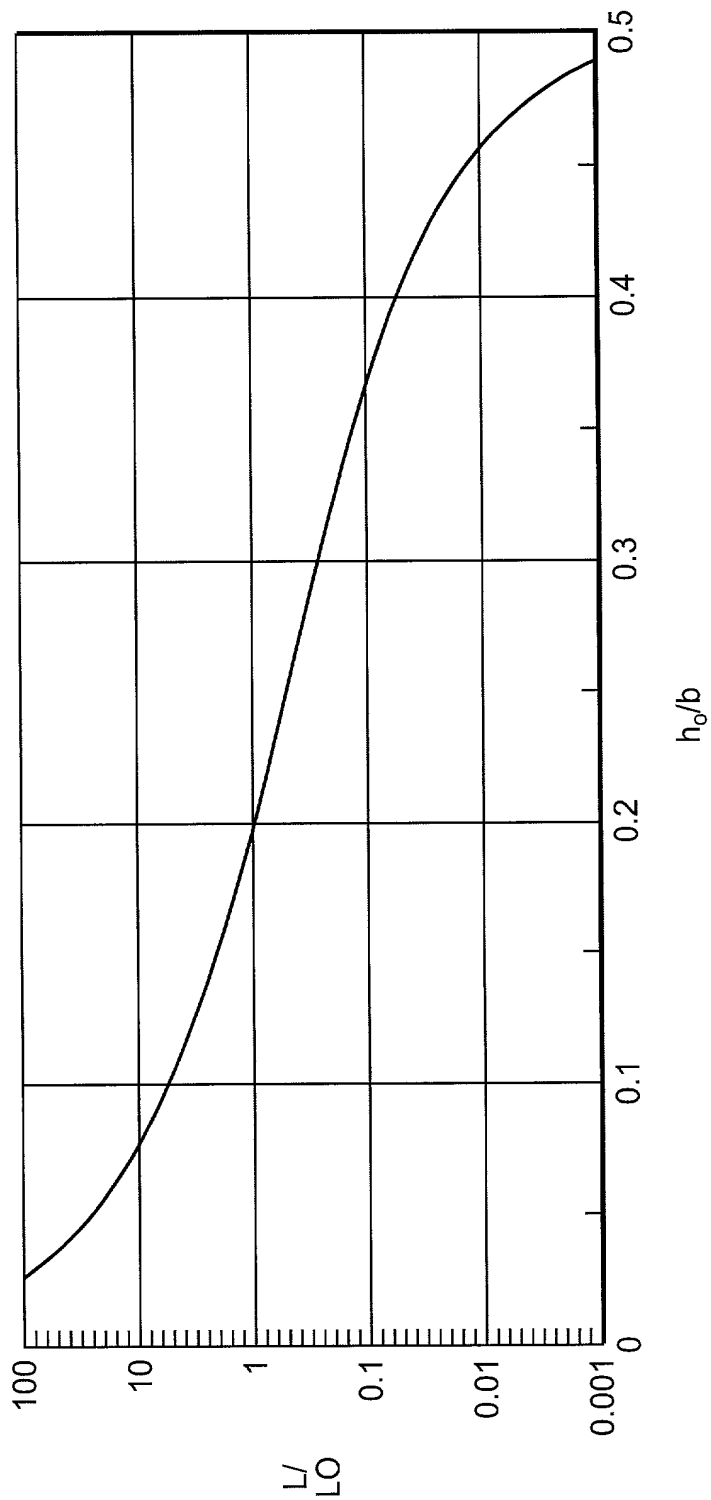


**FIG. 10(b)**

DEFINITION OF SLOT (AND PAPER) LOCATION WITHIN THE  
WAVEGUIDE.

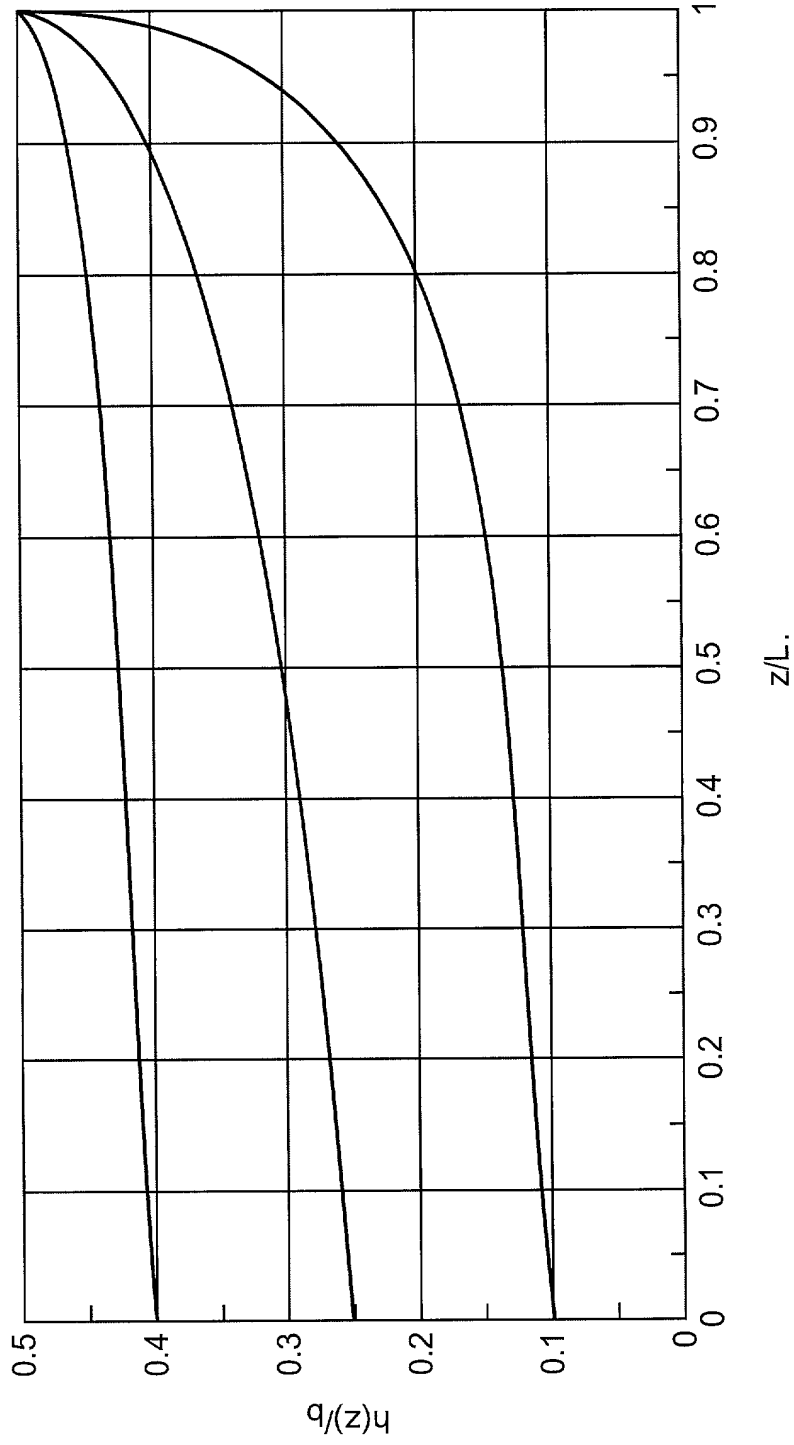


**FIG. 11**



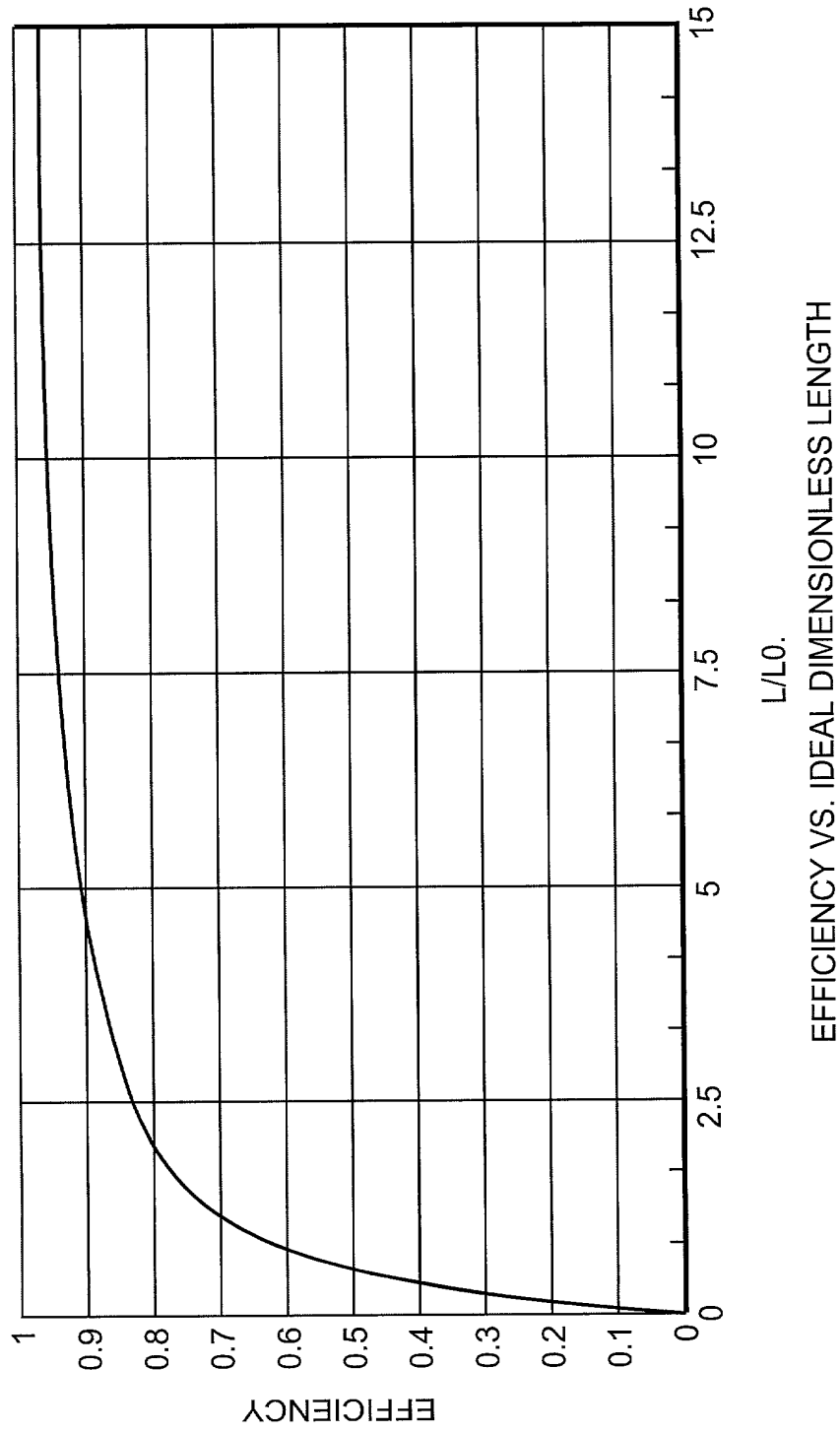
IDEAL DIMENSIONLESS LENGTH VS. INITIAL SLOT HEIGHT

**FIG. 12**

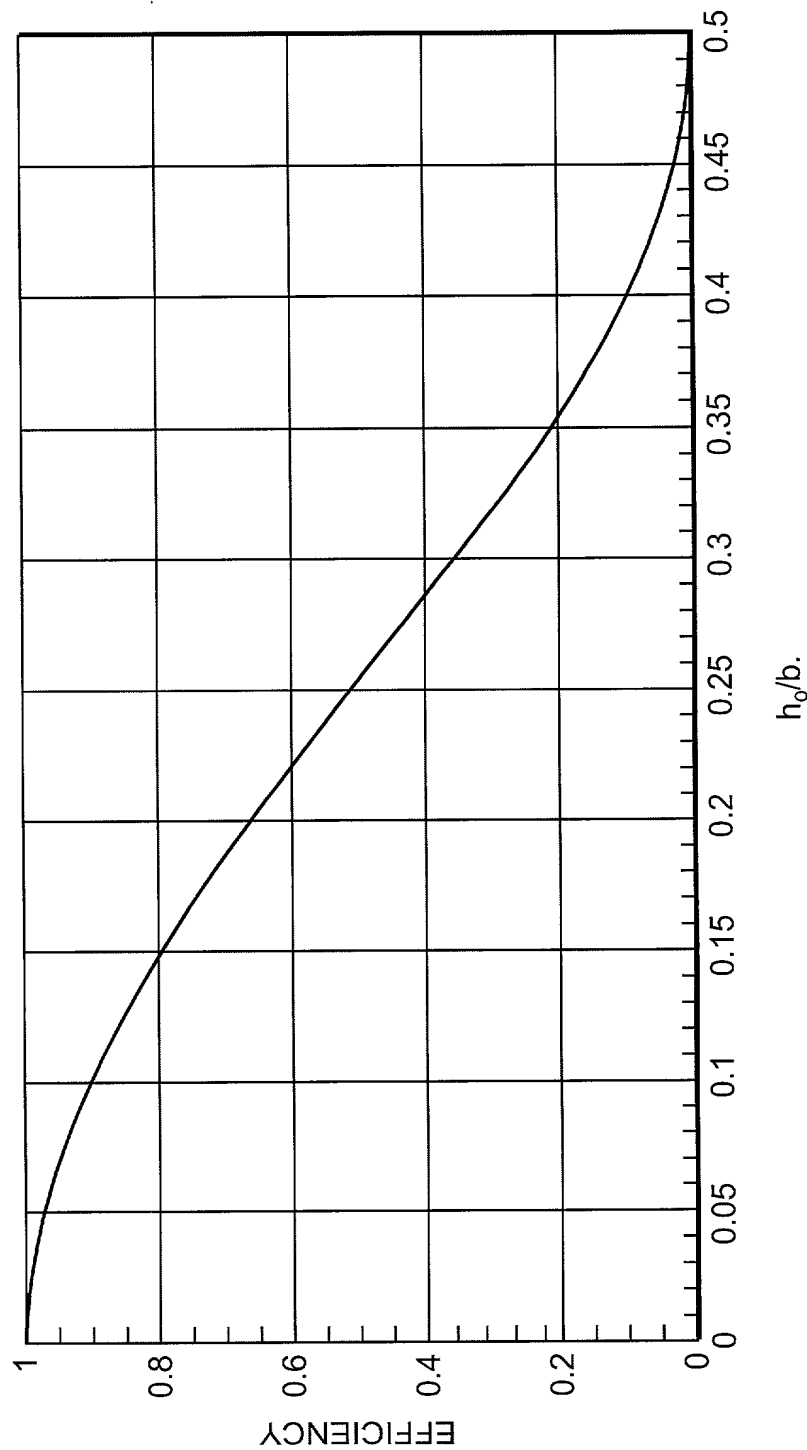


IDEAL SLOT SHAPES for  $h_0/b = 0.1, 0.25, 0.4$ .

**FIG. 13**

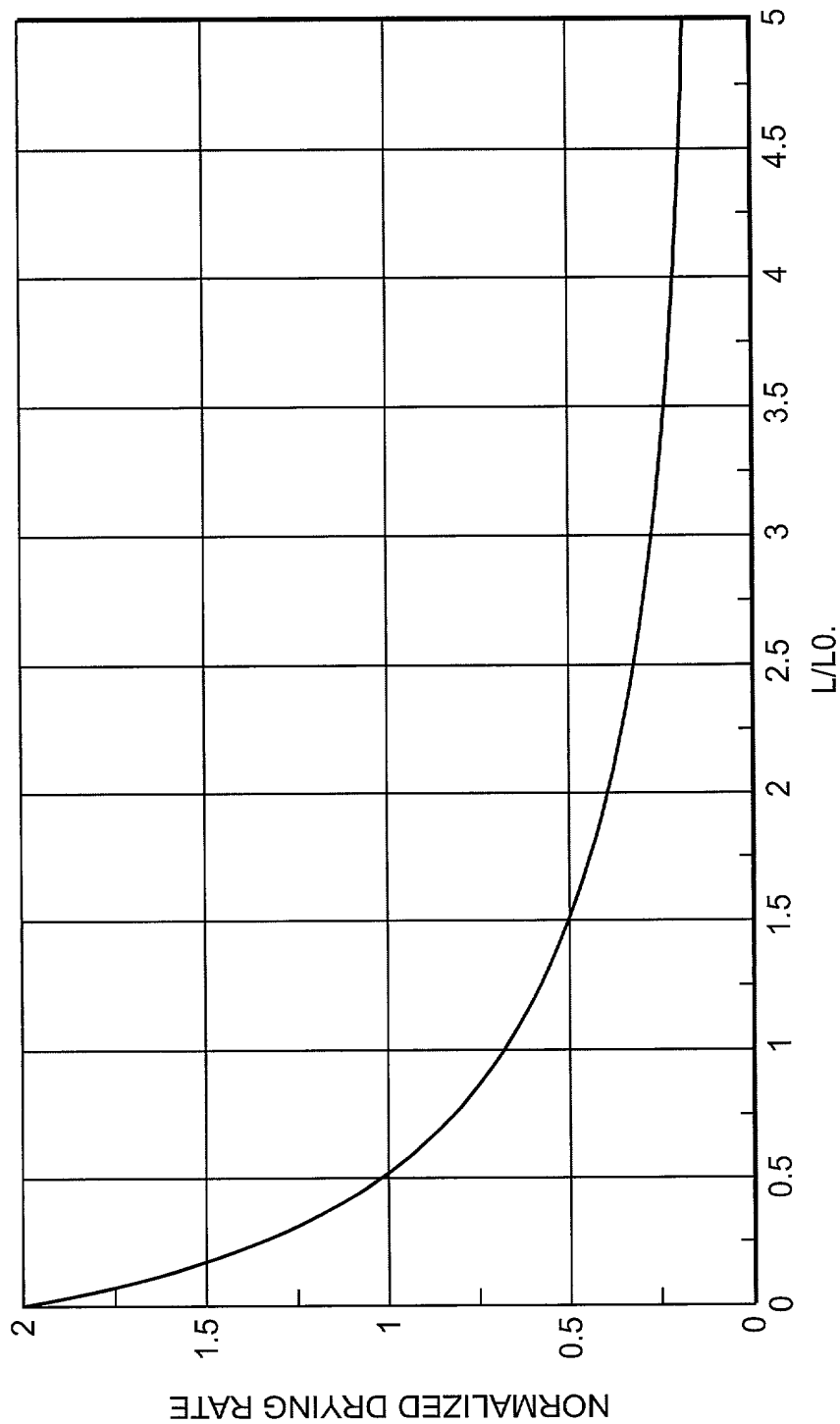


**FIG. 14**



EFFICIENCY (AT IDEAL LENGTH) VS. INITIAL HEIGHT

**FIG. 15**



NORMALIZED DRYING RATE FOR IDEAL LENGTH.

**FIG. 16**



THE SLOT HEIGHT PROFILE,  $h(z)$ , WHICH GIVES UNIFORM DRYING  
DEPENDS ON THE PAPER BASIS WEIGHT AND ITS MOISTURE CONTENT,  
 $\epsilon_r$  "t.

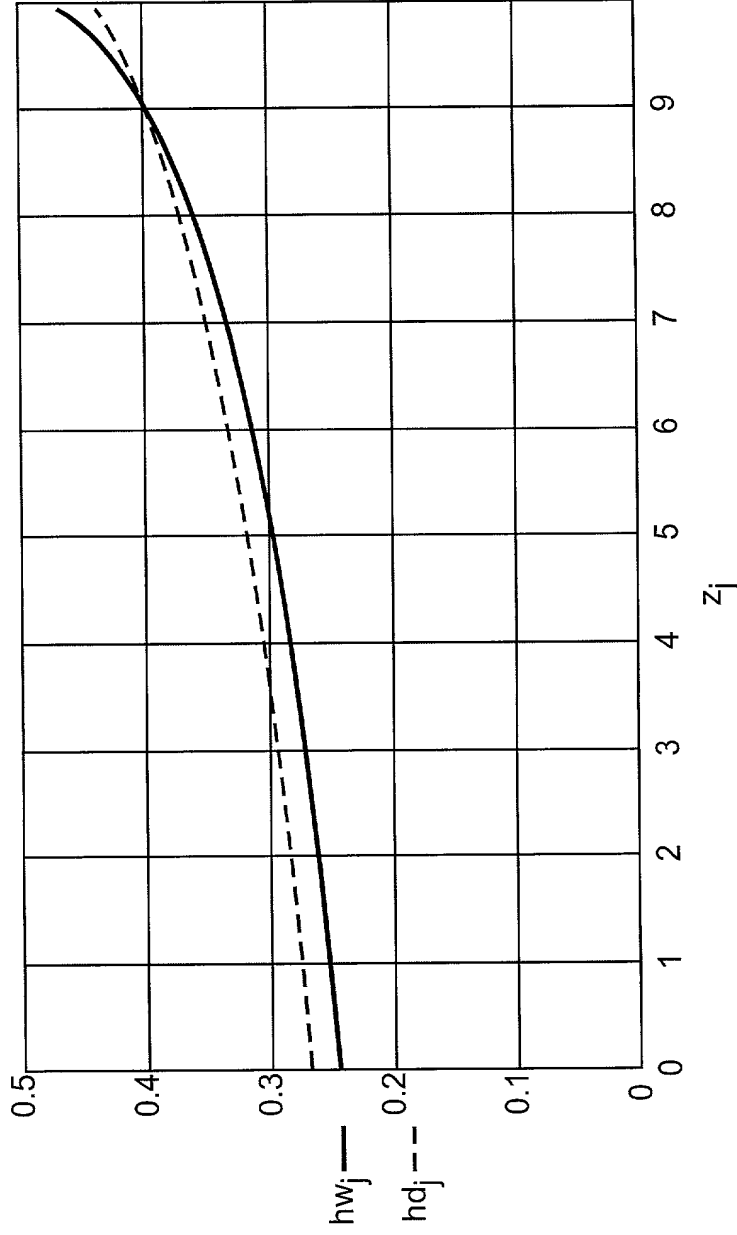
THE OPTIMAL SLOT PROFILE IS

$$h(z) = (b/\pi) \sin^{-1} [(1/\sin^2(\pi h_0/b) - 2Z\omega\epsilon_0\epsilon_r "tz/b)^{-1/2}]$$

WHERE  $h_0$  REPRESENTS THE SLOT HEIGHT AT THE SOURCE SIDE  
OF THE WEB AND  $z$  IS THE DISTANCE ALONG THE WAVEGUIDE  
(CD).

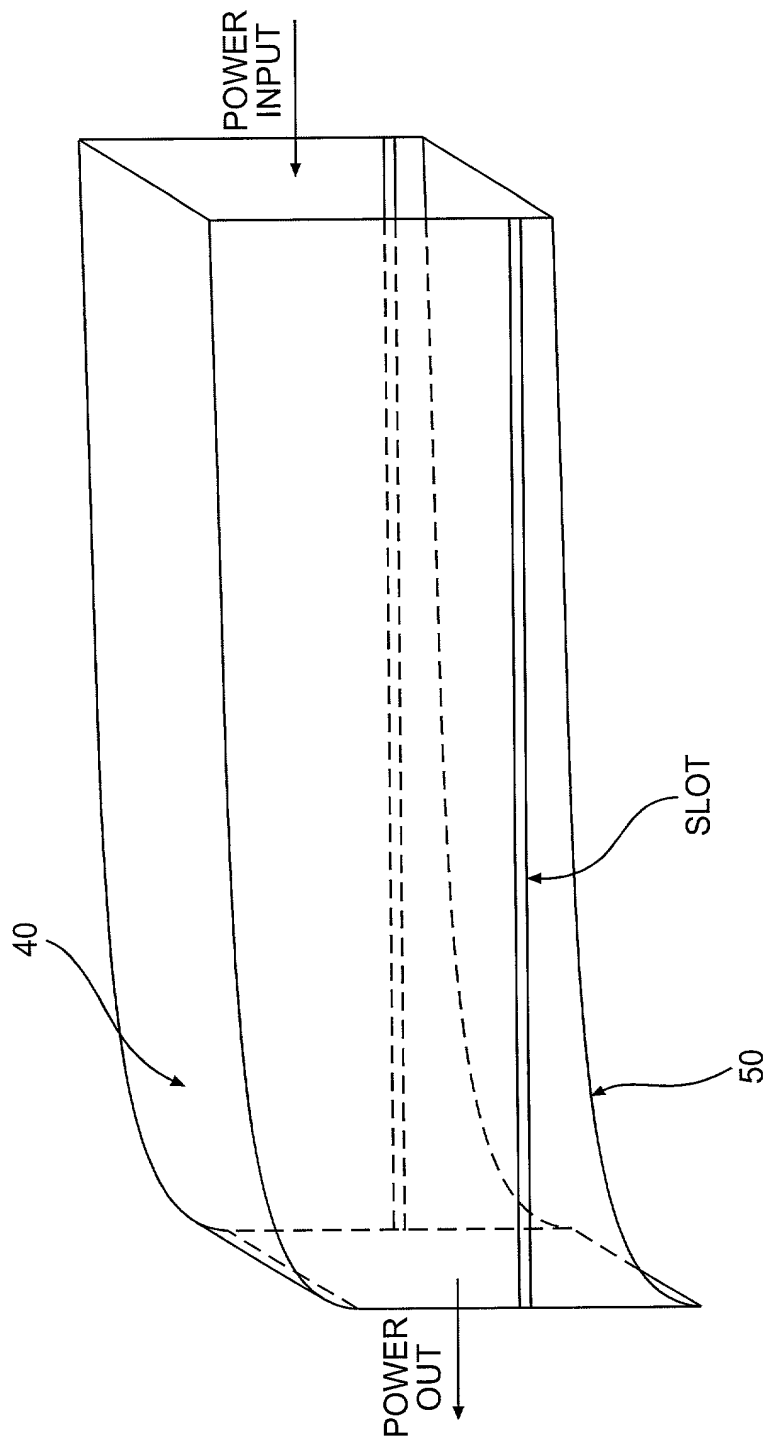
**FIG. 17**

# OPTIMAL SLOT PROFILES

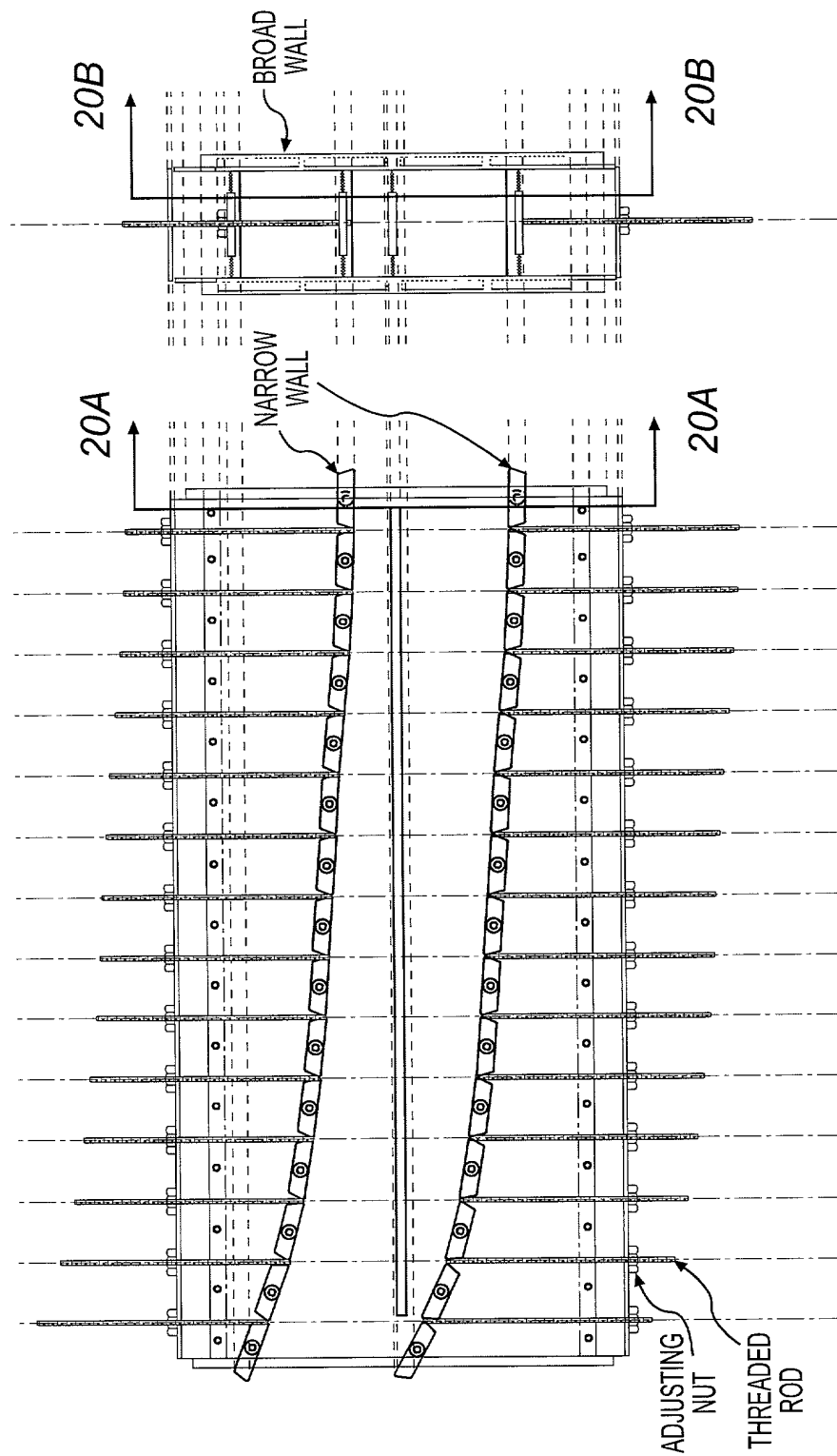


PLOTS OF THE OPTIMAL SLOT HEIGHT DIVIDED BY THE WAVEGUIDE HEIGHT AS A FUNCTION OF DISTANCE IN METERS FROM A MICROWAVE SOURCE AT 2.45 GHz IN AN S-BAND WAVEGUIDE. THE SOLID LINE IS DESIGNED FOR A 200 g/m<sup>2</sup> BOARD AT 10% MOISTURE, WHEREAS THE DOTTED LINE IS FOR 7% MOISTURE.

**FIG. 18**



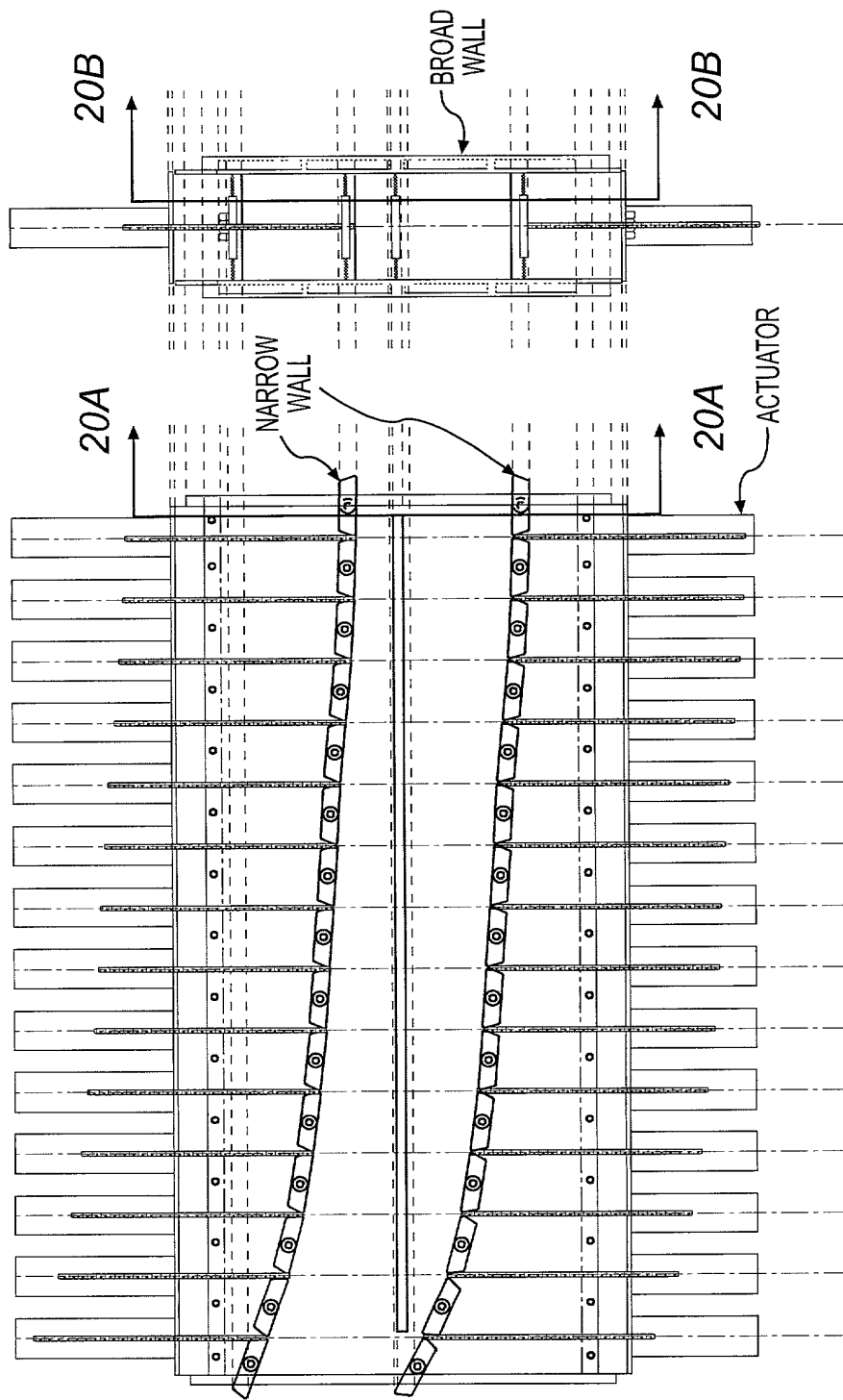
**FIG. 19**



MANUALLY ADJUSTED VARIABLE WAVEGUIDE

FIG. 20A

FIG. 20B



AUTOMATICALLY ADJUSTED VARIABLE WAVEGUIDE

FIG. 21A

FIG. 21B